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NEW CREATIVE TEAM!
NEW DIRECTION!
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AVENGERS #500
Written by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS
Penciled by DAVID FINCH
Cover by DAVID FINCH
AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED BEGINS HERE!
The powerhouse team of Brian Michael Bendis and David Finch takes on Earth's Mightiest Heroes in this double-sized anniversary issue! It begins with the return of an Avenger thought dead – and by the time it's over, everything you know about the Avengers will have changed!
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CAPTAIN AMERICA & THE FALCON #5

Written by PRIEST
Penciled by JOE BENNETT
Cover by STEVE EPTING

AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED TIE-IN!

In the aftermath of recent events, the Falcon is a federal fugitive! And what's going on between Captain America and the Scarlet Witch?

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NEW CREATIVE TEAM!
NEW DIRECTION!

CAPTAIN AMERICA #29

Written by ROBERT KIRKMAN
Penciled by SCOT EATON
Cover by DAVE JOHNSON

AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED TIE-IN!

Marvel Knights no more! Cap returns to the Marvel Universe proper, where he's thrown headfirst into one of the most hectic days of his career. Hydra has abducted a senator who's being prepped to run as the next president. Nick Fury enlists the aid of Captain America to bring the senator back home. Meanwhile, all is not right within the S.H.I.E.L.D. organization... who is the puppet master pulling the strings? You won't believe it when you see it!

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NEW CREATIVE TEAM!
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IRON MAN #86

Written by MARK RICKETTS
Penciled by TONY HARRIS
Cover by PAT LEE

"THE SINGULARITY" 1 (OF 4)
AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED TIE-IN!

Tony Stark cares too much, and that's always been his downfall. His concerns over the welfare of the world have led him to alcoholism, caused him to alienate himself from those he loves, and forced him to make decisions he never should have made. Now, disgraced before the United Nations and uncertain of his own stability, Tony Stark retreats into seclusion – a ticking time bomb of raw emotion. And if he doesn't get it under control soon – he's gonna explode. Meanwhile, Iron Man goes on a murderous rampage aimed at those in charge of Stark Enterprises!

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NEW CREATIVE TEAM!
NEW DIRECTION!

THOR #82
Written by MIKE AVON OEMING
Penciled by ANDREA DIVITO
Cover by STEVE EPTING
AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED TIE-IN!
Ragnarok appears to have come for the gods of Asgard – but will Thor be their savior, or its architect? In search of new wisdom, the Thunder God must repeat the ordeals of Odin – and the price may be too terrible for even an immortal to pay!
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CAPTAIN AMERICA

Real Name: Steven Rogers
Known Aliases: Nomad, the Captain, Steven Grant Rogers, Roger Stevens
Identity: Publicly known
Occupation: Adventurer; formerly WPA artist, soldier, police officer, teacher, freelance illustrator, special S.H.I.E.L.D. operative
Place of Birth: New York City, NY
Citizenship: United States of America with no criminal record

Marital Status: Single
Known Relatives: Joseph Rogers (father, deceased), Sarah Rogers (mother, deceased), unnamed grandfather (presumed deceased), Steven Rogers (ancestor, deceased)
Group Affiliation: the Invaders, the Avengers
Education: High school graduate; one year of art school; military basic training; private tutoring in hand-to-hand combat, gymnastics, military strategy, piloting, demolition, and other disciplines

History: Born in 1922, Steve Rogers was a young and idealistic artist orphaned at an early age. Appalled at reports of Nazi activity and believing that American entry into World War II was inevitable, he attempted to enlist in the armed forces but was rejected for his physical frailty, only to be chosen as a volunteer for the government project known as Operation: Rebirth. Rogers received several experimental treatments that elevated him to the peak of human physical perfection, and after months of intensive training, he was selected to become a special government operative, a living symbol of liberty known as Captain America. He was soon given a unique weapon, a virtually indestructible shield. Joined in action by young Bucky Barnes, Captain America fought a wide variety of criminals and Axis operatives; his most dedicated opponent was the Nazi leader known as the Red Skull, whom he clashed with many times. When America entered the war following the Pearl Harbor attack, Cap and Bucky were among the founding members of the super-team known as the Invaders. Adventuring around the world alone, with Bucky, and alongside the other Invaders, Captain America achieved the greatest reputation of any wartime hero and was respected by ally and enemy alike.

Toward the end of World War II, Captain America and Bucky were sent to prevent Nazi operative Baron Heinrich Zemo from obtaining an experimental plane; when Zemo launched the plane, the two heroes attempted to stop it but were thrown off above the Arctic when it exploded. Bucky was apparently slain, but the super-soldier formula that had transformed him years earlier saved Cap's life, throwing him into suspended animation instead. In the years following his disappearance, at least three other men took on the role of Captain America, with varying degrees of success.

Captain America remained frozen in ice for decades until, hurled into the sea by Namor the Sub-Mariner, he was discovered by the Avengers and revived. He quickly proved himself a worthy addition to the newly formed team, and he was chosen as the first new member of the Avengers; when Baron Zemo learned of his enemy's survival, he formed the first Masters of Evil to fight the Avengers, and the menace of the Masters has recurred many times since. Some months later, when the founding Avengers chose to leave the team, Captain America became the leader of a new incarnation of the team, a post he would hold many times over the next several years. As members came and went, he proved to be one of the few constants of the team, rarely leaving active membership and leading the team against such menaces as Kang, the Mole Man, Doctor Doom, and many others. He also found himself again fighting the Red Skull, who like himself had survived the decades through suspended animation and had awoken to threaten the world anew.

In addition to his Avengers activities, Captain America also worked closely with the espionage agency known as S.H.I.E.L.D., and it was there that he met Agent Sharon Carter, who would become the great love of his life; he was also joined in his crimefighting activities by the acrobatic Falcon, who himself would later join the Avengers.

Interior page of OFFICIAL HANDBOOK OF THE MARVEL UNIVERSE: AVENGERS 2004

OFFICIAL HANDBOOK OF THE MARVEL UNIVERSE: AVENGERS 2004

Cardstock Cover by SALVADOR LARROCA & RICHARD ISANOVE

This is it: The Mighty Marvel Handbook returns! Featuring in-depth profiles on more than 20 Avengers past and present – and an all-new cover by superstar artist Salvador Larroca, digitally painted by Richard Isanove – OHOTMUA04 is a must-have for any true Marvel fan!

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SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #17

Written by PAUL JENKINS
Penciled by HUMBERTO RAMOS
Cover by HUMBERTO RAMOS

AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED TIE-IN

Spidey's life is thrown into turmoil as he begins to undergo a shocking transformation – one that may well leave the web-slinger scarred forever! What is the cause of this strange mutation – and how does it connect to the troubles plaguing the Avengers?

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AMAZING FANTASY #2

Written by FIONA AVERY
Creative Consultant: J. MICHAEL STRACZYNSKI
Penciled by MARK BROOKS
Cover by MARK BROOKS & UDON

Sugar and spice and everything nice – that's what this little girl is totally NOT made of! Marvel's scrappy new hero meets a tall, dark, and handsome stranger who leaves her with more questions than answers. Who is this guy, anyway? And why has he taken such an interest in her?

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"SINS PAST" CONTINUES!

AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #510

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Cover by MIKE DEODATO JR.

"SINS PAST" 2 (OF 6)

The second part of a Spider-Man arc that will have people talking for years. Featuring art by new series regular Mike Deodato – one more reason not to miss a single issue!

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MARVEL KNIGHTS SPIDER-MAN #4
Written by MARK MILLAR
Penciled by TERRY DODSON
Cover by TERRY DODSON
"DOWN AMONG THE DEAD" 4 (OF 4)
As Spider-Man desperately navigates the seedy underworld of his most desperate and vile enemies, his missing family member is still nowhere to be found. The climax to this sold-out first arc features guest appearances by the Vulture, Black Cat, Electro, and the Owl. Get it fast, before they're gone!
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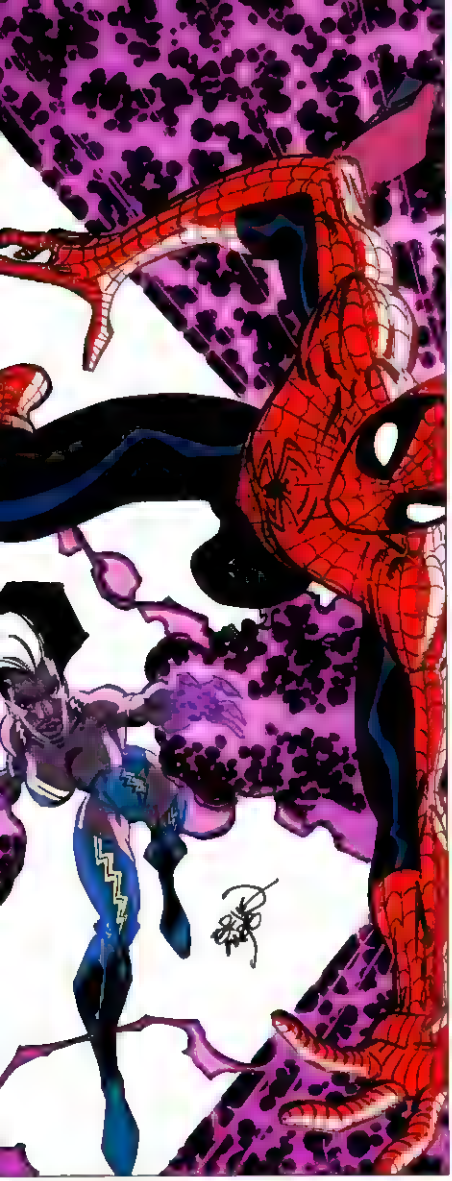

SPIDER-MAN UNLIMITED #4

Written by ALLAN JACOBSEN & ROBERT KIRKMAN
Penciled by C. P. SMITH & CORY WALKER
Cover by ERIK LARSEN

Two more stand-alone stories of the wall-crawler by new and upcoming writers! First, Robert Kirkman (CAPTAIN AMERICA) teams with his INVINCIBLE partner Cory Walker for a story of true love found amidst the carnage of a hold-up. Then, Allen Jacobsen and C.P. Smith (the creative team on the upcoming NEW INVADERS series) weave a tale connecting the web-spinner to the legends of Native America!

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SPIDER-MAN/ DOCTOR OCTOPUS: YEAR ONE #3 (OF 5)

Written by ZEB WELLS
Penciled by KAARE ANDREWS
Cover by KAARE ANDREWS

Emerging from a brutal accident that nearly took his life, Otto takes his first steps into the depths of madness...with the help of four of the deadliest weapons on the face of the Earth. Featuring the first face-to-face encounter between Spider-Man and Doctor Octopus!

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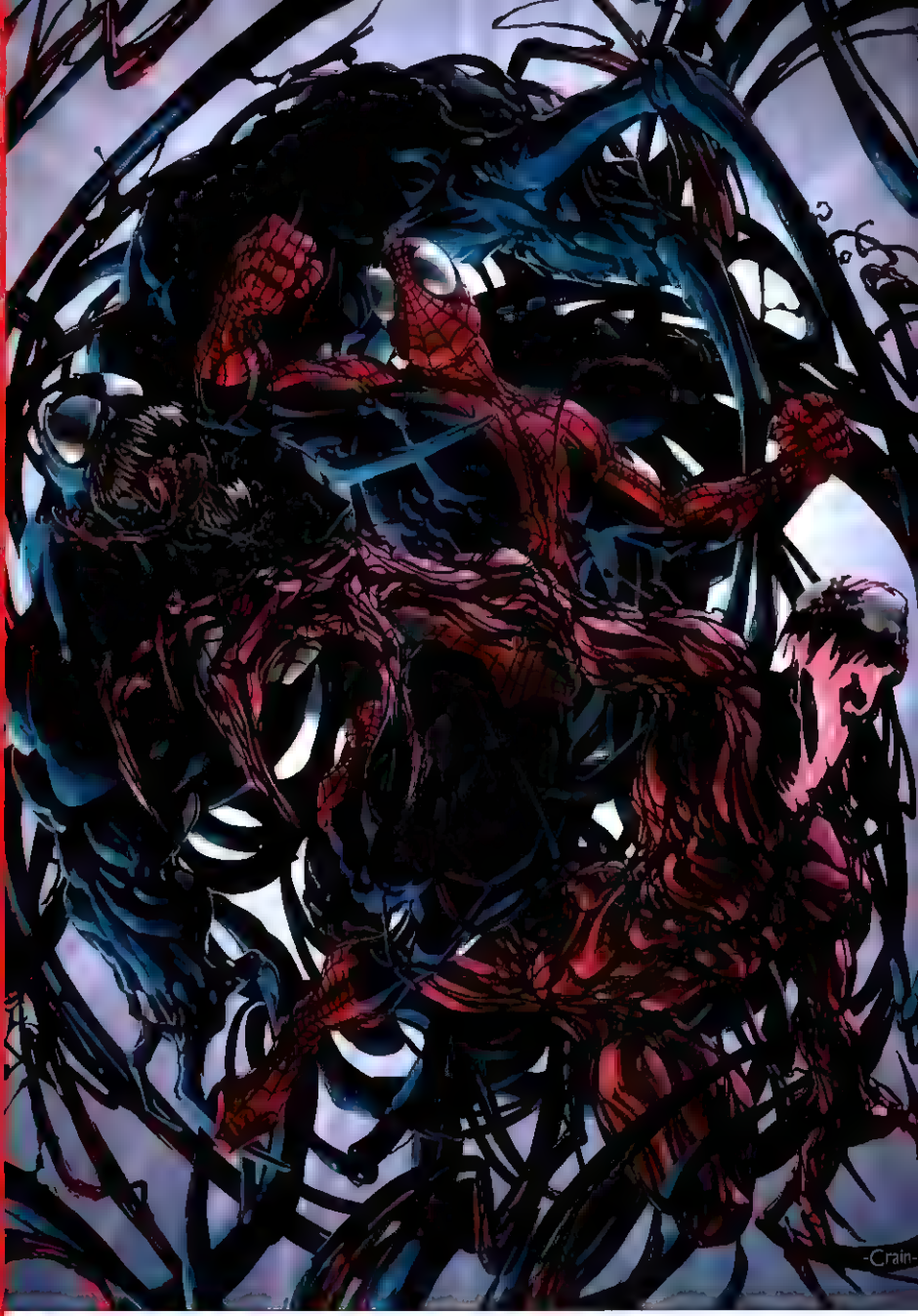

VENOM VS. CARNAGE #2

Written by PETER MILLIGAN
Penciled by CLAYTON CRAIN
Cover by CLAYTON CRAIN

What's worse than one homicidal symbiote? Two. Worse that that? THREE. That's right. Carnage just had a BABY! Guest-starring Black Cat!

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VENOM #17

Written by DANIEL WAY
Penciled by SKOTTIE YOUNG
Cover by SKOTTIE YOUNG

"TWIST" 4 (OF 5)

Robertson must control the alien symbiote that's eating away at her long enough to kill the original Venom, Eddie Brock. But Spider-Man has other plans and enlists the help of the Fantastic Four

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BY THE CREATORS OF "ULTIMATE SPIDER-MAN!"

THE PULSE #4

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Penciled by MARK BAGLEY
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Spider-Man guest-stars!! As tensions between the Bugle and Norman Osborn mount, what side will Peter Parker take? Featuring the Ben Urich moment you've been waiting for for twenty years!!

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ULTIMATE SPIDER-MAN VOL. 10: HOLLYWOOD TPB

Written by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS
Pencils & Cover by MARK BAGLEY

A major movie studio is making a summer blockbuster about Spider-Man, and the Ultimate wall-crawler swings by the set to give the producers a piece of his mind. But someone else is even hotter about being in the film than Spidey: Doctor Octopus, who just may shut the production down if he doesn't get final edit! As the cameras roll, the real wall-crawler and Doc Ock go head-to-head behind the scenes! Collects ULTIMATE SPIDER-MAN #54-59.

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SPIDER-MAN: SON OF THE GOBLIN TPB

Written by GERRY CONWAY, DAVID MICHELINIE & J.M. DEMATTEIS
Pencils by ROSS ANDRU, TODD MCFARLANE & SAL BUSCEMA
Cover by SAL BUSCEMA

In his father's eyes, Harry Osborn was never good enough. Harry's pal, Peter Parker, was truly the type of son Norman Osborn wanted — studious, inventive, strong-willed and industrious. In contrast, Harry had always wilted under life's pressures and the strain of his father's domineering influence, unable to live up to Norman's expectations. Unfortunately, Harry remained unaware of his father's dark side as the Green Goblin until it was too late. Witnessing Norman's apparent death in battle with Spider-Man, Harry was driven to the brink of insanity. Assuming his late father's identity, he began a descent into madness that would haunt him his entire life; only in death could he finally find peace. Now, for the first time ever in one volume, witness the startling tale of Harry's tragic demise in this all-new collection of classic Spider-Man stories! Collects AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #136-137 and #312, and SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #189 and #200.

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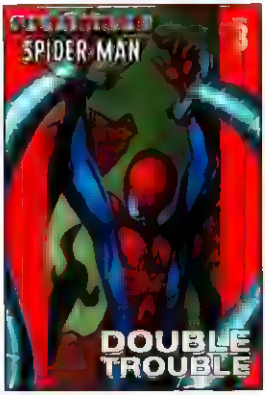

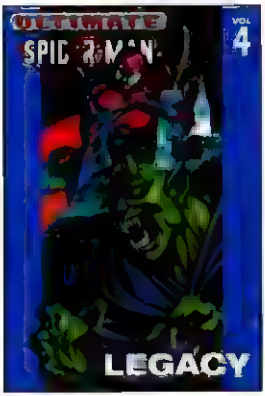

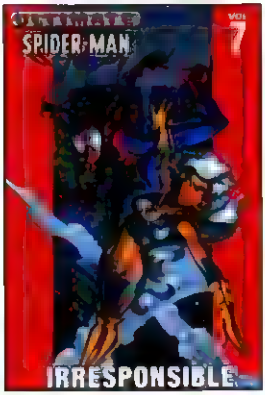

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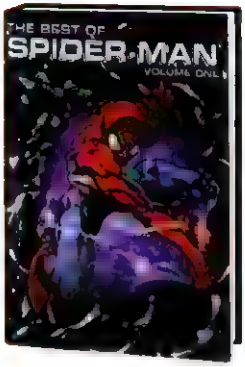

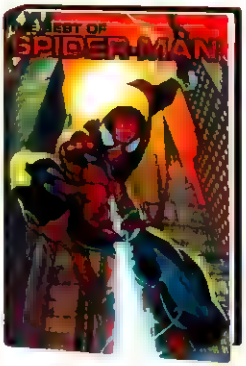

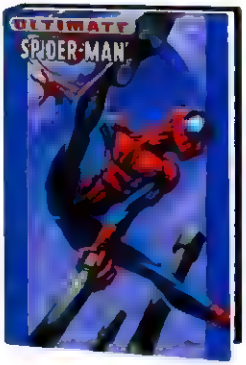

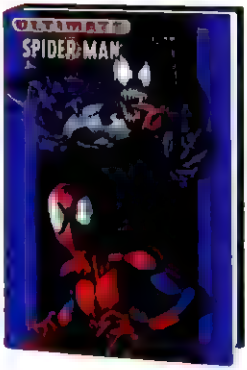

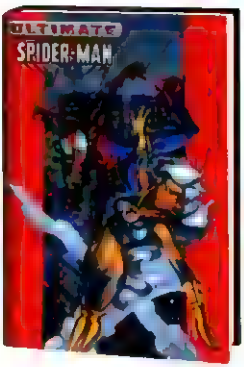

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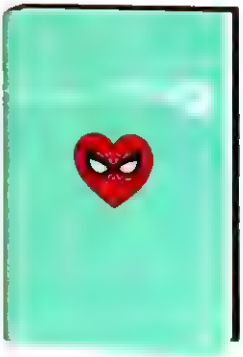

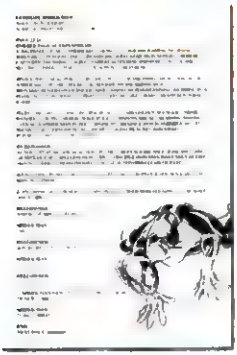

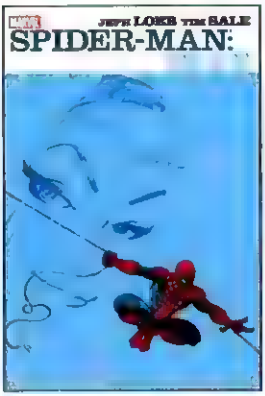

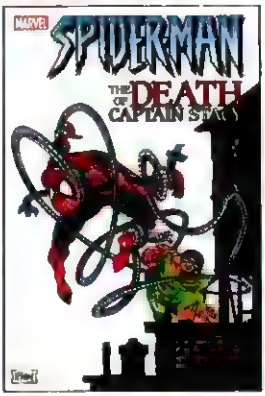

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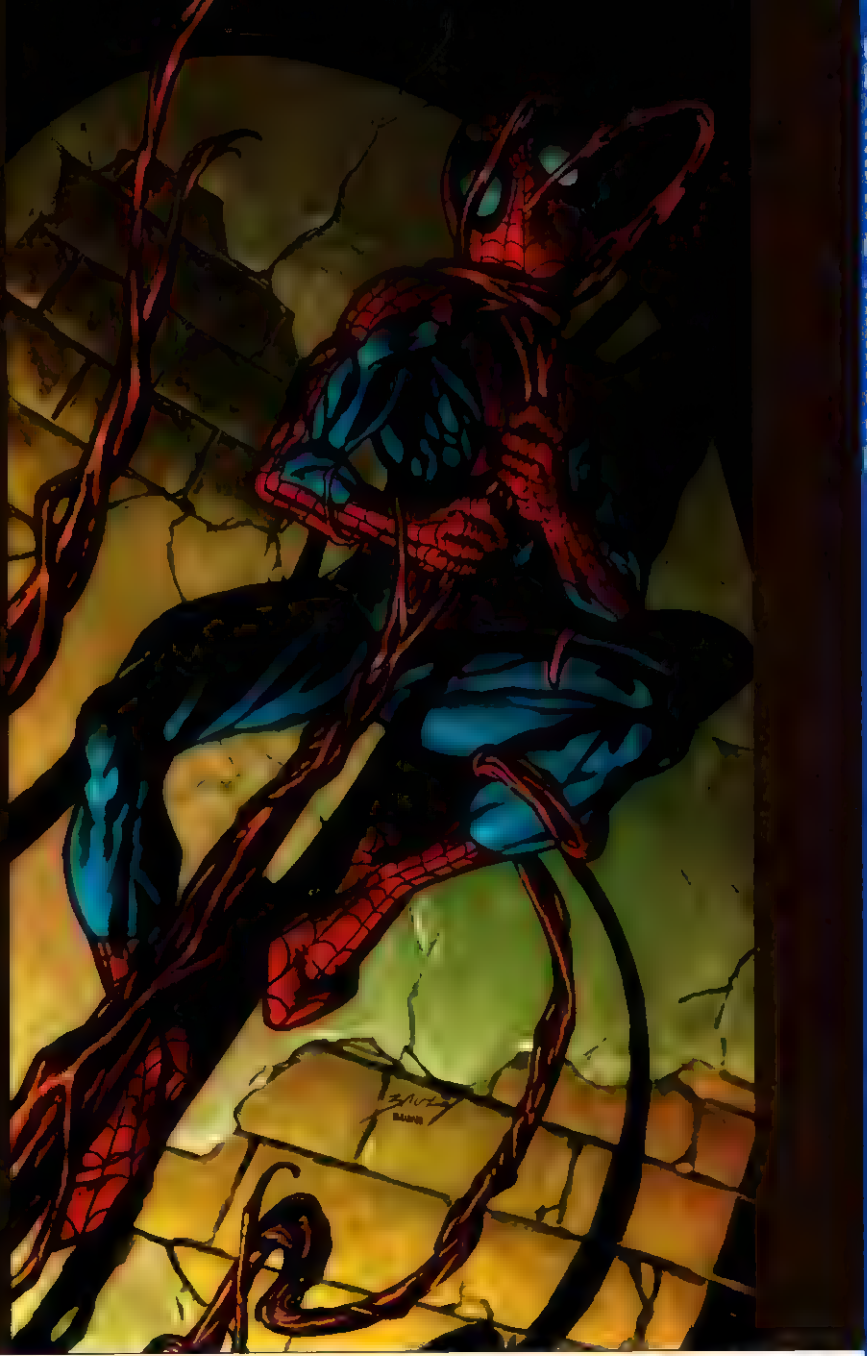

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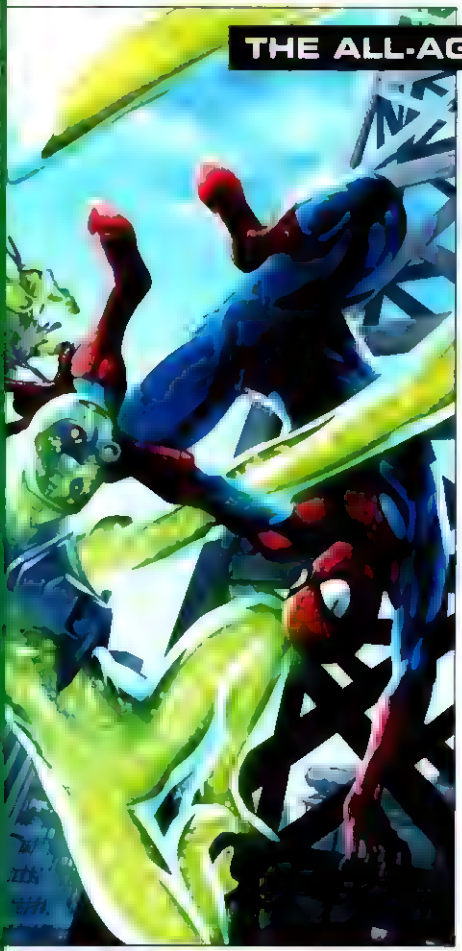

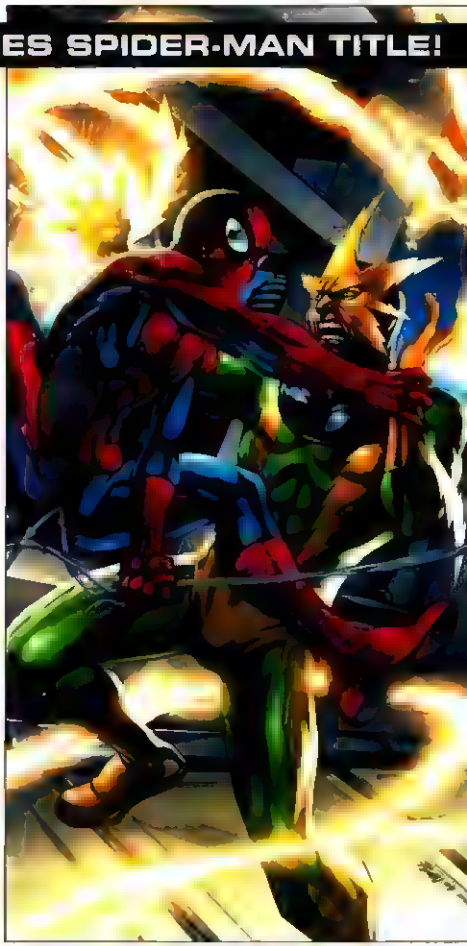

MARVEL AGE SPIDER-MAN # 7

Plot by STAN LEE AND STEVE DITKO
Written by TODD DEZAGO
Pencils by JONBOY MEYERS
Cover by MICHAEL RYAN

"THE TERRIBLE THREAT OF THE LIVING BRAIN!"

A state-of-the-art android/search engine goes haywire during a demonstration in Peter Parker's school – but how can Peter slip away to become Spider-Man and save the day, when he's stuck in the principal's office for fighting with Flash Thompson?! It's Spider-Man Action in the Mighty Marvel Manner! Plus, didja hear? PETER FIGHTS FLASH THOMPSON!

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MARVEL AGE SPIDER-MAN # 8

Plot by STAN LEE AND STEVE DITKO
Written by TODD DEZAGO
Pencils by MICHAEL O'HARE
Cover by MICHAEL RYAN

"THE MAN CALLED ELECTRO!"

As if Peter Parker didn't have enough to worry about just being a typical high school student, his Aunt May has just been rushed to the hospital, his boss, J. Jonah Jameson, continues to vilify his web-swinging alter ego every day in the pages of the *Daily Bugle*, AND there's a new, super-charged, super-baddie in town looking to make a name for himself...by taking down our favorite Spectacular Spider-Man!

Enter ELECTRO, currently (no pun intended) the most shocking villain (no pun intended) to show Spidey that, sometimes with great power comes great electricity!

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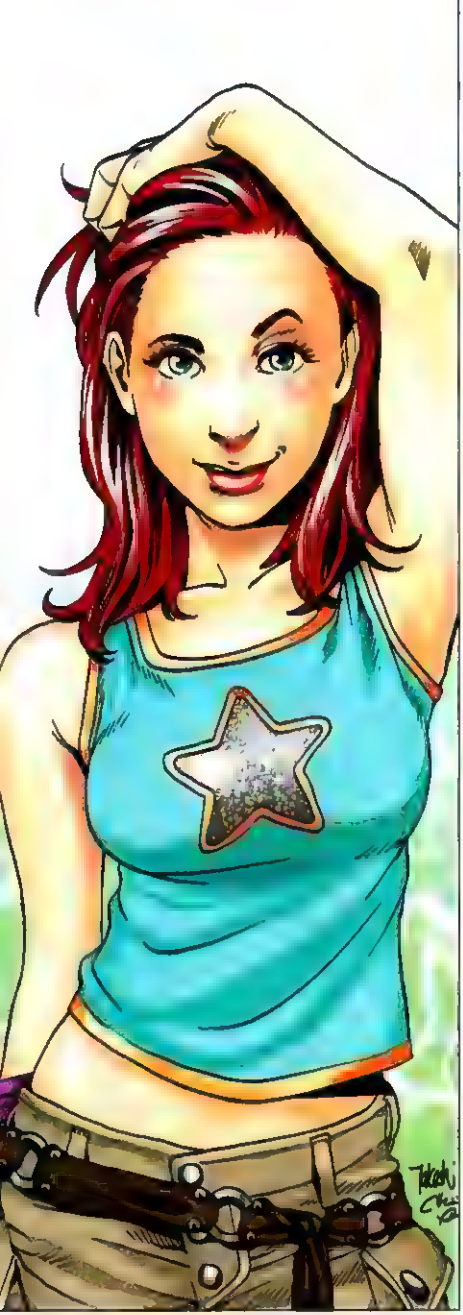

MARY JANE #2

Written by SEAN McKEEVER
Art and Cover by TAKESHI MIYAZAWA

They say money makes the world go 'round. Mary Jane Watson doesn't know who "they" are, but she sure wishes "they" would help her to become financially independent! The second issue in the exciting new Marvel Age series!

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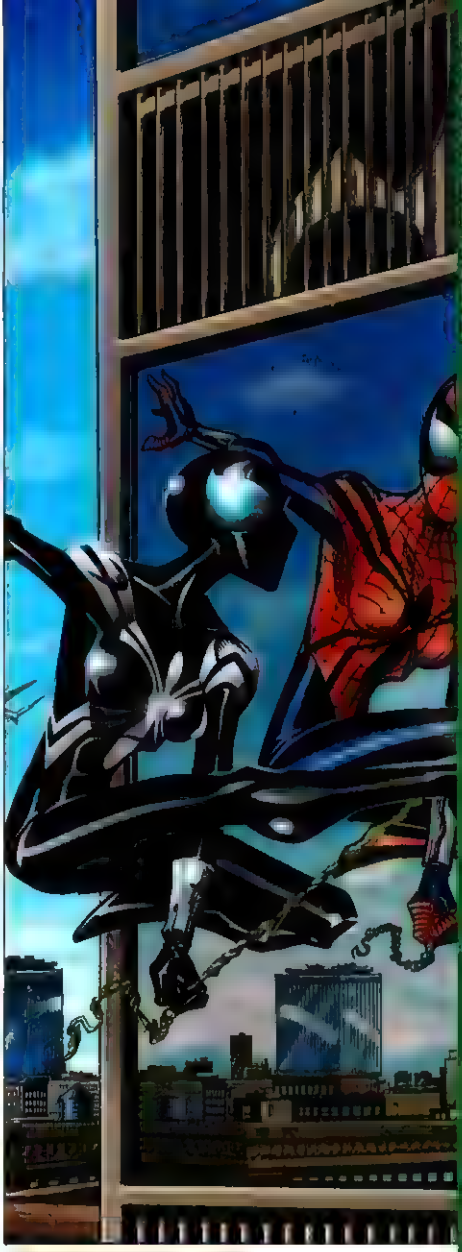

SPIDER-GIRL #76

Written by TOM DEFALCO
Penciled by RON FRENZ
Cover by RON FRENZ

"SPIDER-GIRL MUST DIE!"

Not only are Canis and Lady Octopus trying to kill her, but Mayday Parker must also contend with her irate parents when Peter and Mary Jane suddenly learn that their daughter has adopted a dramatic new costume and a dangerous new ally! PLUS: Raptor confronts the new woman in Normie Osborn's life!

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RUNAWAYS #17

Written by BRIAN K. VAUGHAN
Penciled by ADRIAN ALPHONA
Cover by JO CHEN

"THE GOOD DIE YOUNG" 5 (OF 5)

The Runaways' epic battle against their evil parents reaches its shocking conclusion! The team's mole has been revealed, and now blood must be shed. Which kids will still be standing when the smoke finally clears? This is the story that changes everything (seriously!).

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MARVEL AGE FANTASTIC FOUR #4

Plot by STAN LEE AND JACK KIRBY
Written by SEAN MCKEEVER
Pencils by ALITHA MARTINEZ
Cover by MAKOTO NAKATSUKA

Even when he's trying to keep a low profile, Johnny Storm can't help but stir things up. In discovering an amnesiac World War II hero, Johnny may have signed humanity's death warrant! It's the return of Prince Namor, the Sub-Mariner, in this retelling of Stan Lee and Jack Kirby's landmark tale!

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MARVEL AGE SPIDER-MAN VOL. 2 DIGEST

Plot by LEE & DITKO
Written by TODD DEZAGO & DANIEL QUANTZ
Illustrated by MARK BROOKS, JONBOY MEYERS & MICHAEL O'HARE
Cover by MARK BROOKS

The Marvel Age of Comics continues! This time around, Spidey meets his match against such classic villains as Electro and the Lizard, and faces the return of one of his first foes: the Vulture! Plus: Spider-Man vs. the Living Brain, Peter Parker's fight with Flash Thompson, and the wall-crawler tackles the high-flying Human Torch!

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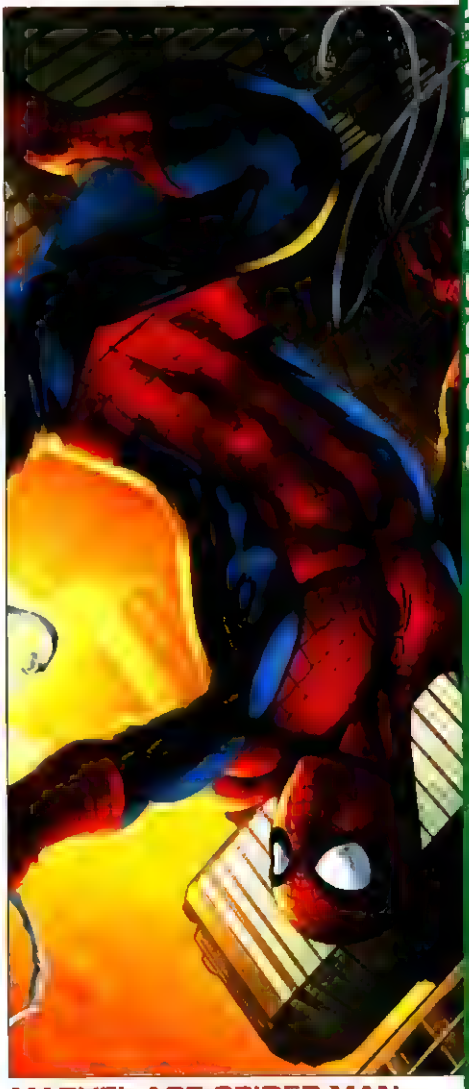

MARVEL AGE SPIDER-MAN VOL. 3 DIGEST

Plot by LEE & DITKO
Written by TODD DEZAGO & MIKE RAICHT
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The fledgling wall-crawler reaches a crucial turning point in his young life as the diabolical Doctor Octopus makes his long-awaited return! Plus: the first appearances of the Enforcers and Mysterio! And learn why J. Jonah Jameson really hates Spider-Man!

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MARVEL AGE FANTASTIC FOUR VOL. 1 DIGEST

Plot by LEE & KIRBY
Script by SEAN McKEEVER
Pencils by MAKOTO NAKATSUKA, GURIHIRU, JOE DODD & ALITHA MARTINEZ
Cover by MAKOTO NAKATSUKA

The new Marvel Age continues with the series that launched the first Marvel Age! When the Earth itself swallows up nuclear plants around the globe, it's up to the FF to take on the source of all the mayhem: the Mole Man! Next, the Fantastic Four go mad, leaving nothing but destruction and mayhem in their wake, the only ones who can stop them are...the Fantastic Four? Discover the devious plan of the Skrulls from outer space! Then, find out if a helpless FF can stop the Miracle Man – who possesses all their powers, combined .and then some! Finally, even when he's trying to keep a low profile, Johnny Storm can't help but stir things up. In discovering an amnesiac World War II hero, Johnny may have signed humanity's death warrant! It's the return of Prince Namor, the Sub-Mariner!

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UNCANNY X-MEN #446

Written by CHRIS CLAREMONT
Penciled by ALAN DAVIS
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"THE END OF HISTORY" 3 (OF 4)

The Fury – an alien cybernetic lifeform that's indestructible, unpredictable and infinitely adaptable. How will Wolverine, Storm and Nightcrawler cope when it turns their own teammate, Sage, against them?

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ASTONISHING X-MEN #3

Written by JOSS WHEDON
Penciled by JOHN CASSADAY
Cover by JOHN CASSADAY

"GIFTED" 3 (OF 6)

The team reunited under Cyclops and Emma Frost, the X-Men are out to astonish the world! But a new threat to mutantkind may mean the end of the X-Men forever! Plus, Wolverine's relationship with a fellow X-Man takes an unexpected turn...

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NEW X-MEN #3

Written by NUNZIO DEFILIPPIS & CHRISTINA WEIR
Penciled by RANDY GREEN
Cover by RANDY GREEN

"CHOOSING SIDES" 3 (OF 6)

All high schools have cliques, but what school besides the Xavier Institute also has code-names, uniforms, and combat training sessions in the Danger Room?! All-out war threatens to break out as the New Mutants take on the Hellions!

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X-MEN # 159

Written by CHUCK AUSTEN
Penciled by SALVADOR LARROCA
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"DAY OF THE ATOM" 3 (OF 4)

The shocking return of an enemy thought dead rocks the X-Men to their very core! Can they overcome an adversary more powerful than they imagined, or will internal strife within the team itself tear them apart first?

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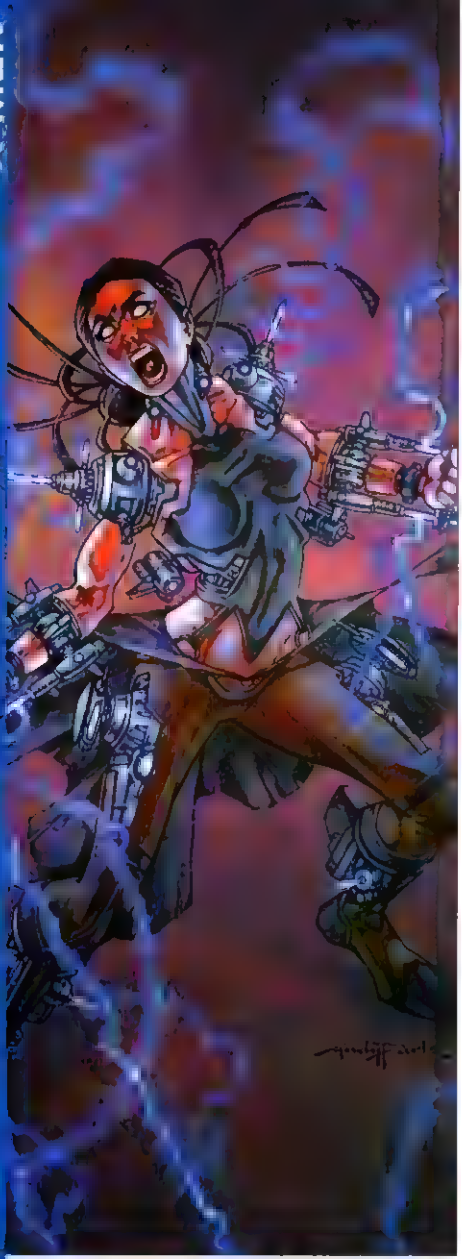

EXCALIBUR #3

Written by CHRIS CLAREMONT
Penciled by AARON LOPRESTI
Cover by ANDY PARK

"FORGING THE SWORD" 3 (OF 6)

Professor X works amid the ashes of Genosha to rebuild the once-proud mutant nation. But certain people would prefer that Genosha stay destroyed – and are willing to kill to make sure that the nation of mutants doesn't rise again.

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DISTRICT X #3

Written by DAVID HINE
Penciled by DAVID YARDIN
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"MR. M" 3 (OF 6)

Exploding from the X-Men Reload right into New York's Alphabet City, where we see a gang war brewing — a mutant gang war. The X-Men Bishop and his NYPD partner, Ismael Ortega, are caught in the middle of a mutant scandal that threatens to tear the neighborhood apart, while tensions mount between rival gang lords who promise that this fragile neighborhood will never be the same!

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"GOING ROGUE" 1 (OF 6)
All-new X-Men series! During her time as part of the X-MEN, the woman known as ROGUE has been many things – fighter, friend, soldier, lover…and now, daughter. When an X-Men mission brings Rogue back to her childhood home in Mississippi, she comes face to face with the demons in her past and a terrible secret that has haunted her family since her birth!
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Pencilled by MICHAEL GAYDOS
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Peter Parker, Matt Murdock & Logan were fated to be heroes. If Peter Parker wasn't bitten by a radioactive spider would he still do battle with a madman named Norman Osborn? Matt Murdock, though blinded, had no heightened senses. Nevertheless, he became a legal champion of the poor in Hell's Kitchen, crossing paths with a powerful crime boss named Wilson Fisk – the Kingpin. Logan – still an enigmatic, amnesiac drifter – is on the run from his bloody past, without mutant powers to save him. By re-imagining Marvel's most popular characters without superhuman powers, this series will strip these heroes to their core, exploring what it means to be a hero in very human terms

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Written by KEVIN J. ANDERSON
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"THE CADET AND THE CORSAIRS" 2 (OF 6)
Tolo risks his life to protect a beautiful Princess from the Starjammers, but are they his real enemy?

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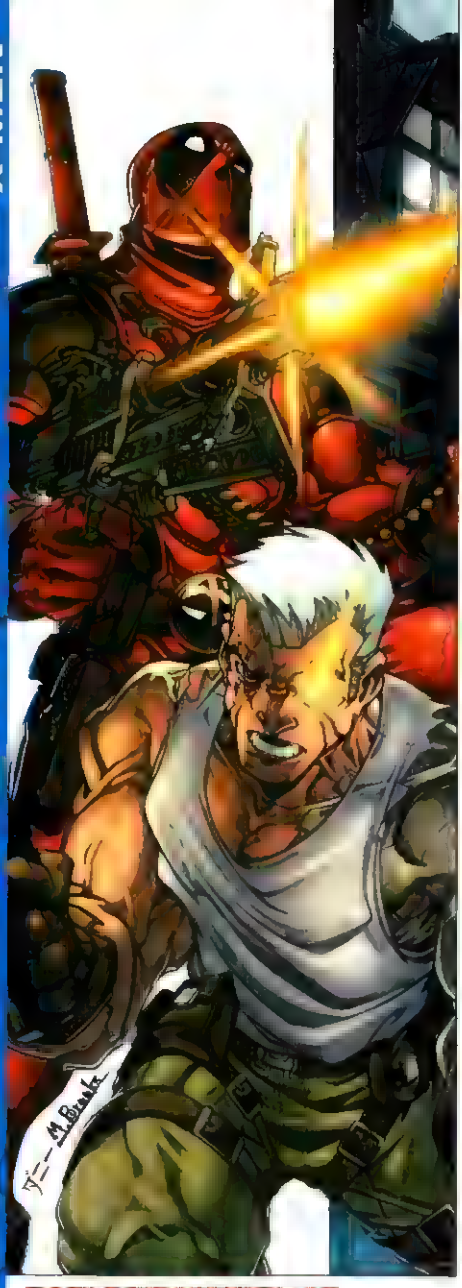

CABLE/DEADPOOL #5

Written by FABIAN NICIEZA
Penciled by PATRICK ZIRCHER
Cover by MARK BROOKS

"IF LOOKS COULD KILL" 5 (OF 6)

One of them's frozen solid, the other is a pile of blue goo! They'll need each other to survive – and it might involve exchanging bodily fluids! But even if they save each other, they still have to save the world from – the LIGHTMASTER? No, we're not kidding...

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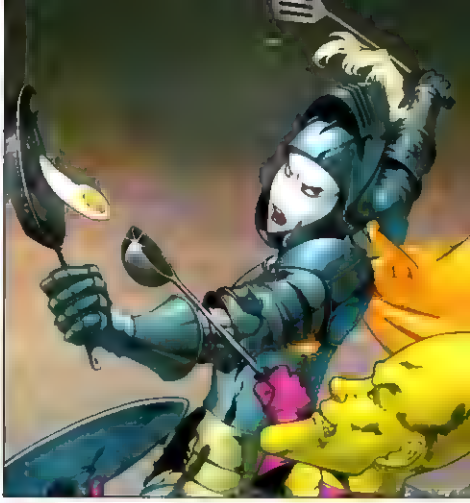

EXILES #49

Written by TONY BEDARD
Penciled by JIM CALAFIORE
Cover by MIZUKI SAKAKIBARA

STAND-ALONE ISSUE!

The Avengers are dead, the S.H.I.E.L.D. Helicarrier is destroyed and the Capitol dome has been turned into a giant toilet! Something strange, impossible even, is going on in Washington, D.C. and it's up to the Exiles to get to the bottom of it, all before next month's issue #50!

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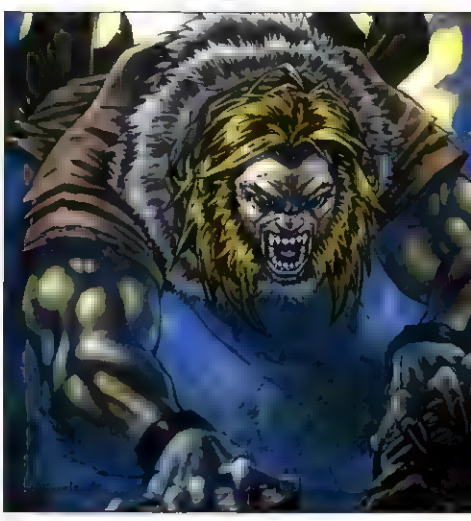

WEAPON X #26

Written by FRANK TIERI
Penciled by TOM MANDRAKE
Cover by ANDY PARK

"MAN AND SUPERMAN" 1 (OF 3)

Sabretooth makes his savage return, making himself all too comfortable in his new career as a hired gun. That is, until his new employers issue out his latest assignment: to track – and take down – his former boss from the Marauders, Mr. Sinister!

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EMMA FROST #13

Written by KARL BOLLERS
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"BLOOM" PART 1 (OF 6)

Emma's fought her family, the Boston mob, her own boyfriend – and won! But now the young mutant sets her sights on the Big Apple and Empire State University, and there are many unexpected lessons to be learned in the big city. Will her new life and friends set Emma on the road to ruin?

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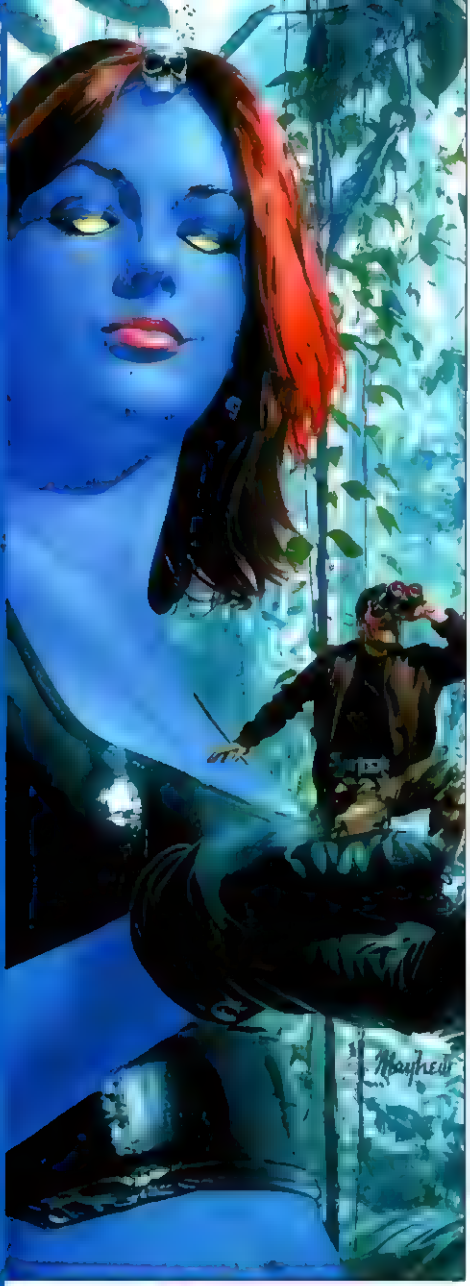

MYSTIQUE #17

Written by SEAN MCKEEVER
Penciled by MANUEL GARCIA
Cover by MIKE MAYHEW

"UNNATURAL" 4 (OF 5)

It's Shortpack to the rescue in Prague when Mystique is presumed amnesiac or dead at the hands of Viktor, an unscrupulous mutant who sells other mutants on the black market!

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NYX #6

Written by JOE QUESADA
Penciled by ROB TERANISHI
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What if you could become anyone in the world for a day? What would you do? Who would you be? Captain America fighting alongside the Avengers? Bono during a concert in Wembley Stadium? Meet a young mutant who doesn't have to wonder. His powers let him be anyone he wants, and he isn't shy about using them!

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MAN-THING # 1 (OF 3)
Written by HANS RODIONOFF
Penciled by KYLE HOTZ
Cover by KYLE HOTZ

What evil lurks in the brackish waters of the swamp? It's the return of one of Marvel's all-time favorite horror characters Man-Thing! Just in time for the upcoming theatrical film release by Lion's Gate Films, this three-issue movie "prequel" is written by Hans Rodionoff, screenwriter for the Man-Thing film, and drawn by "master of the macabre" Kyle Hotz (The Hood) Set in the Bywater Swamp from the Man-Thing film, this self-contained story will enhance the movie-going experience with BRAND-NEW content we found lurking in the shadows of the bayou!

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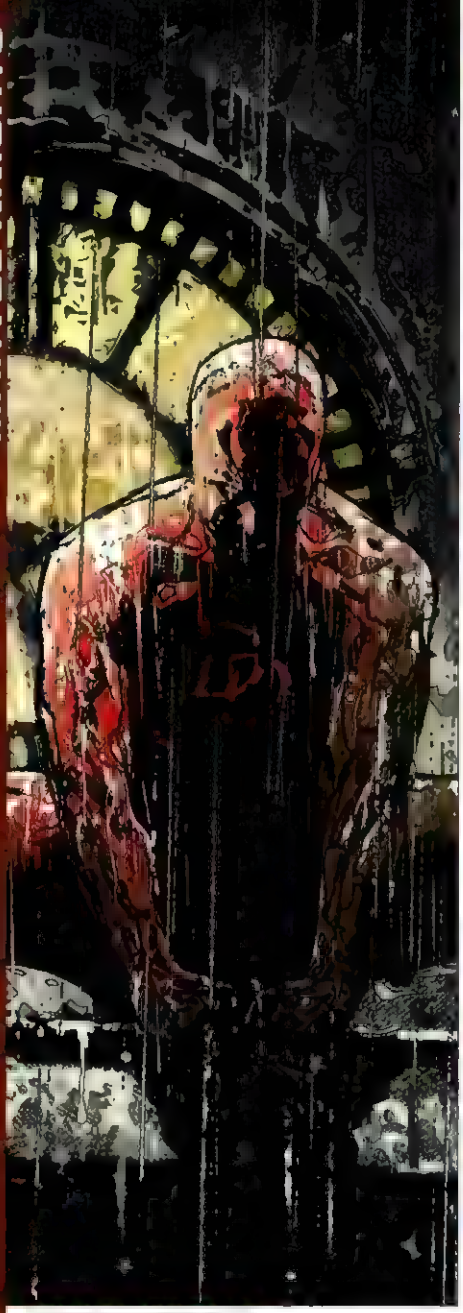

DAREDEVIL #62

Written by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS
Penciled by ALEX MALEEV
Cover by ALEX MALEEV

Daredevil and the Black Widow are partners again, but is it in more ways then one? One of Marvel's greatest love stories takes an interesting turn, and all in the horrible face of...JIGSAW!

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INCREDIBLE HULK #74

Written by BRUCE JONES
Penciled by DOUG BRAITHWAITE
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Against a gamma-irradiated backdrop, the Hulk and Iron Man go toe-to-toe in the conclusion of this 4-part story. Who will smash, and what will happen to the smashed??

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IDENTITY DISC #2 (OF 5)

Written by ROB RODI
Penciled by JOHN HIGGINS
Cover by TONY HARRIS

When a sinister collection of six powerful and deadly villains are blackmailed by a mysterious woman, they're forced to form an uneasy alliance to save the lives of their loved ones. But can this group – which includes Sabretooth, Bullseye, Deadpool, and the Juggernaut – work together to secure a mysterious disc before self-destructing?

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MARVEL KNIGHTS 4 #8
Written by
ROBERTO AGUIRRE-SACASA
Penciled by STEVE MCNIVEN
Cover by STEVE MCNIVEN
"FROZEN" 1 (OF 2)
While New York freezes in the icy grip of winter, an old foe resurfaces with a grudge: Namor! And the crown prince is demanding Sue make good on a old promise – even if it's over Reed's dead body. Meanwhile, closer to home, Johnny may be the only person who can help a Washington Heights woman find her missing son.
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X-STATIX #25

Written by PETER MILLIGAN
Penciled by MICHAEL ALLRED
Cover by MICHAEL ALLRED

Who's stronger? Well, friends, you're about to find out...! America's favorite mutants go toe-to-toe with Earth's Mightiest Heroes – the Avengers! In part three, Doop squares off against The Mighty Thor! Ouch!

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WITCHES #3 (OF 4)

Written by BRIAN WALSH
Penciled by WILL CONRAD
Cover by MIKE DEODATO JR.

While the witches fend off Lilith's demon, their fragile bonds disintegrate. Dr. Strange tries to keep the brood together but he struggles with his own declining strength as a result of the demon's presence. And the true nature of the demon and its purpose on Earth is revealed.

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WITCHES #4 (OF 4)

Written by BRIAN WALSH
Penciled by WILL CONRAD
Cover by MIKE DEODATO JR.

While the girls attempt to rescue Jennifer from the demon, Strange has his own problems with an old adversary. The struggle concludes and hidden agendas are exposed in this thrilling final issue.

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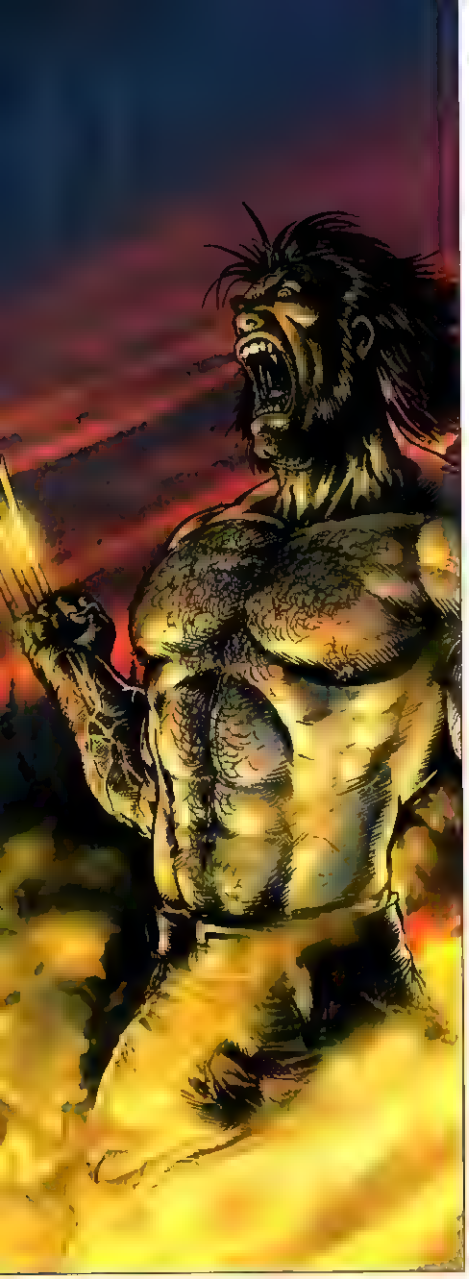

WOLVERINE #17

Written by GREG RUCKA
Penciled by DARICK ROBERTSON
Cover by DARICK ROBERTSON

"RETURN OF THE NATIVE" 5 (OF 7)

The team-up to end all team-ups! Sabretooth and Wolverine, claws to the walls, embark on a dangerous journey to track down the one that got away... THE NATIVE!

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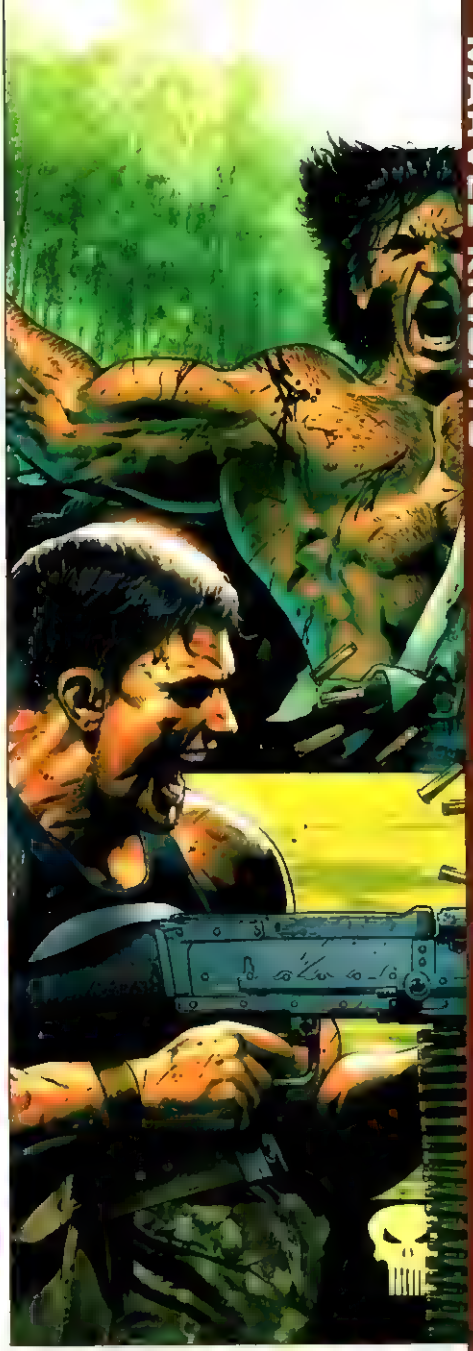

WOLVERINE/PUNISHER #5 (of 5)

Written by PETER MILLIGAN
Penciled by LEE WEEKS
Cover by GREG LAND

Everyone gets exactly what they deserve – and maybe a little more – in the conclusion to the limited series.

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SUPREME POWER #12

Written by
J. MICHAEL STRACZYNSKI
Penciled by GARY FRANK
Cover by GARY FRANK

The climactic end of the second arc! The world shakes as titans . . . well, you'll have to buy it to find out!

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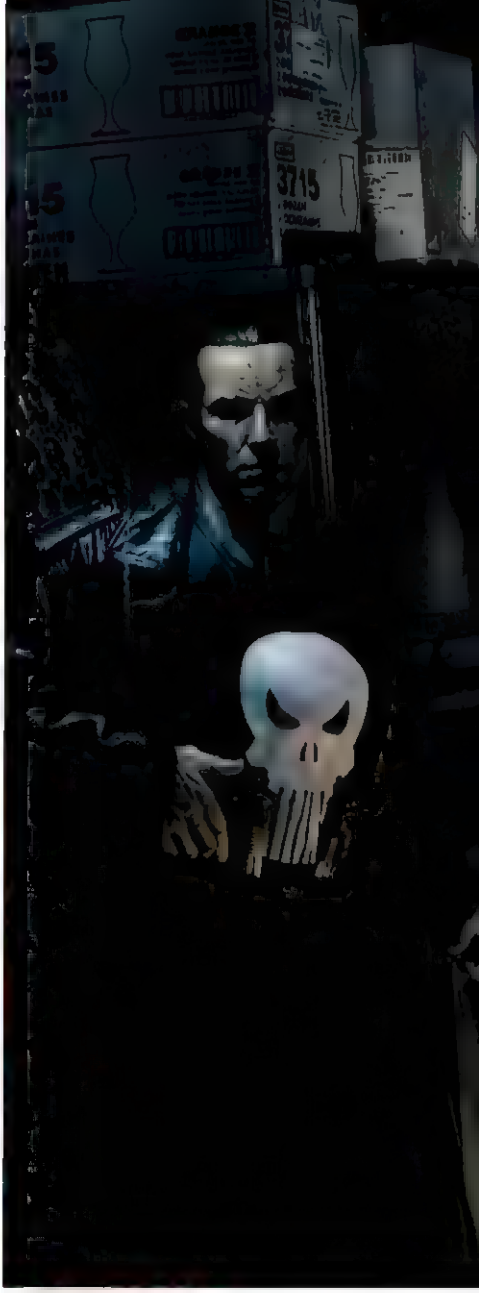

PUNISHER #9

Written by GARTH ENNIS
Penciled by LEANDRO FERNANDEZ
Cover by TIM BRADSTREET

"Kitchen Irish" continues. Chaos ensues when Frank Castle finally tracks down Finn Cooley. Copies of this book scatter faster than a shotgun blast – it seems everyone wants the MAX Punisher series! Get in front of a copy today, but make sure the safety is on.

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NEW LIMITED SERIES! TWO ISSUES!

LOKI #1 & #2 (OF 4)

Written by ROB RODI

Art & Cardstock Covers by ESAD RIBIC

There are two sides to every story. You've heard Thor's – now it's time to hear Loki's. Odin's least favorite son rewrites Asgardian lore from his perspective in this 4-issue limited series, featuring the breathtaking painted artwork of Esad Ribic (WOLVERINE). In this story, Loki's insatiable lust for power, his conflicted sentiments toward Sif, his antipathy toward Balder, and the deep-seated feelings of longing and resentment toward his older brother, Thor, and uncaring father, Odin, will take on new meaning. And if that's not enough, just stare at the lush painted art by Ribic – you won't be disappointed!

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FANTASTIC FOUR #516

Written by MARK WAID & KARL KESEL
Penciled by PACO MEDINA
Cover by GENE HA

"DYSFUNCTIONAL" 3 (OF 3)

The final showdown with the all-new, all-twisted Frightful Four – and the shocking secret of their newest member could destroy both teams!

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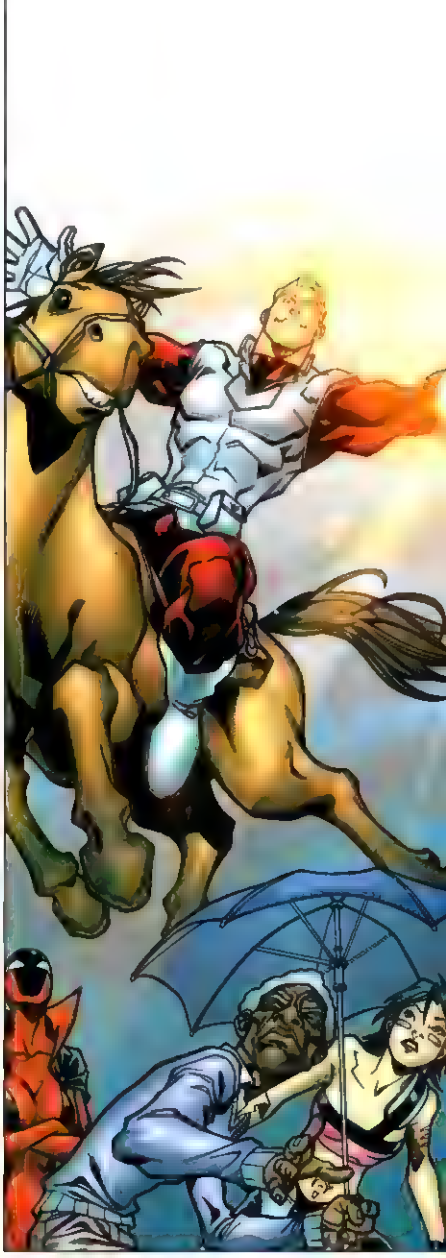

ALPHA FLIGHT #5

Written by SCOTT LOBDELL
Penciled by CLAYTON HENRY
Cover by CLAYTON HENRY

"YOU GOTTA BE KIDDIN' ME" 5 (OF 6)

Time for another issue of the All-New, All-Different Alpha Flight, eh? Reserve your copy today, or pay the price of a fierce scolding from the RCMP's Major Mapleleaf himself! Now that don't sound too friendly, don't cha know?

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GUARDIANS #1 & #2

Written by MARC SUMERAK
Penciled by CASEY JONES
Covers by CASEY JONES

THEN: A group of neighborhood kids who make-believe that they're intergalactic super heroes have a chance encounter with a real alien and help him in his time of need! Living out their childhood fantasies to the fullest, they tell the alien that they are the Guardians - appointed protectors of this planet – and that, should he need their help again, they'll be ready!

NOW: It's been 14 years since their extra-terrestrial adventure, and the kids have grown up and moved on. Having given up their childhood dreams they are making an awkward transition to the adult world, working average jobs and living average lives... until the alien that they helped all those years ago returns to Earth, seeking the help of the "Guardians" once again!

With the fate of the universe in their hands, it's up to these disillusioned 20-somethings to step up and save the very same world that tried to tell them they were crazy!

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AVENGERS/ THUNDERBOLTS #6 (OF 6)

Written by FABIAN NICIEZA & KURT BUSIEK
Penciled by TOM GRUMMETT
Cover by BARRY KITSON

A tragic conflict! A fateful decision! A team torn apart! The lives of both teams are changed and the ramifications will affect the characters for years to come. Will the tragic conclusion to the Limited Series mark the end of the Thunderbolts... or a new beginning – ?

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CAPTAIN MARVEL #25

Written by PETER DAVID
Penciled by KEITH GIFFEN
Cover by CHRISCROSS

"EXIT STRATEGY" 1 (OF 1)

FINAL ISSUE! All your questions are answered! Will Captain Marvel regain his sanity? Will Rick stay bonded to Marv forever? Will he ever get it on with his super-hot wife, Mario, again?

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THOR: SON OF ASGARD #6

Written by AKIRA YOSHIDA
Penciled by GREG TOCCHINI
Cover by ADI GRANOV

"THE WARRIORS TEEN" 6 (OF 6)

Having survived every threat the wilds of Asgard have thrown at them, Thor, Sif and Balder finally return home, only to find their welcome is not all that warm. The teen trio must risk their lives one final time as danger has followed them into their own city! What good is a homecoming if there is no home to return to?!

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SHE-HULK #5
Written by DAN SLOTT
Penciled by JUAN BOBILLO
Cover by MIKE MAYHEW
"THE BIG PICTURE" 1 (OF 2)
Who is the new super-villain, Southpaw? What hold does she have over She-Hulk's law firm? And just what is the secret behind THE BIG HOUSE, the Marvel Universe's NEW Maximum Security prison for super-powered criminals? We're itching to find out, especially since this issue includes dozens of Marvel's best bad guys, including Electro, Sandman, Tiger Shark, Vermin, the Rhino, the Absorbing Man and many more... It's the FIRST multipart story in She-Hulk's new series, and the perfect place to peruse the big green heroine that has all the guys in a tizzy!
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IRON FIST #5

Written by JIM MULLANEY
Penciled by KEVIN LAU
Cover by RICK MAYS

"BREATHLESS" 5 (OF 6)

Around the world the dead are mourned, victims of the violent cult loosed from the pages of ancient K'un Lun history. In his fight to uncover his faceless enemy, Danny Rand finds an unlikely ally; a woman who alone understands the power that menaces not only Iron Fist, but which threatens to tear apart the Eternal City itself.

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SILVER SURFER #11

Written by DAN CHARITON & STACY WEISS
Penciled by LAN MEDINA
Cover by ALEX MALEEV

"REVELATION" 5 (OF 6)

The Silver Surfer battles Stewart Acheron's forces, while a mutiny aboard the salvation ark puts the future of the human race at risk!

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THANOS #12

Written by KEITH GIFFEN
Penciled by RON LIM
Cover by KEITH GIFFEN

It's Thanos, the mad Titan, versus the Fallen One, first herald to world-devouring Galactus and grade A prime interstellar sociopath, as we wind up our first year with a cosmic melee that's sure to be talked about for years to come. Like it would kill you to buy one for a friend?

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ICON IMPRINT LAUNCHES THIS JULY WITH KABUKI, POWERS!

Welcome to ICON, a new publishing imprint that will produce projects outside of Marvel's own properties.

For the launch, ICON welcomes two titles fans are already familiar with: Brian Michael Bendis and Mike Avon Oeming's "Powers", and David Mack's "Kabuki."

Hearkening back to Marvel's successful history with classic licensed properties, Marvel has long been considering ways to offer its creators a home not just for their Marvel projects, but also for their other work. The new ICON imprint has been created with a mandate to pursue both these creator and licensed projects, while maintaining the highest level of talent and the brands that readers have come to expect from Marvel.

The line debuts this July with:
Kabuki #1
Powers #1
Powers #2
Powers: Sellouts TPB

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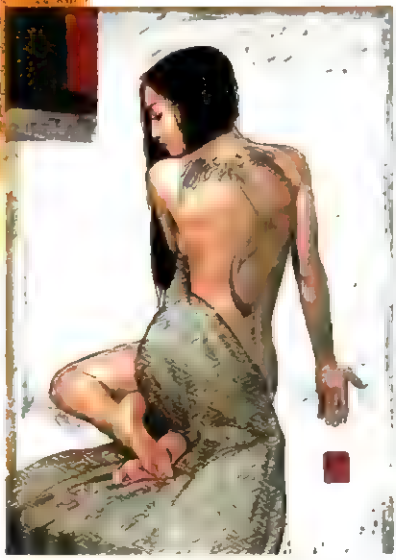

Variant cover by Alex Maleev

Nominated for four Eisner Awards, the Harvey Award, and the Kirby Award.

KABUKI # 1
Written by DAVID MACK
Cover & Art by DAVID MACK
"The Alchemy" Pt. 1

It's a new start for Kabuki and the perfect jumping-on issue for new readers! When you are a former operative for a Japanese agency, how do you start a new life?

You've heard about all the awards... You've heard everyone talking about why Kabuki is so amazing and mind-blowing... Now is the chance to see what all the talk is about!

From the award-winning writer and artist of Daredevil that brought you "Parts of a Hole," "Wake Up," and "Echo," this new series marks the 10th anniversary of Kabuki and features a special chronology of Kabuki's early beginnings, including never-before-published Kabuki art by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS.

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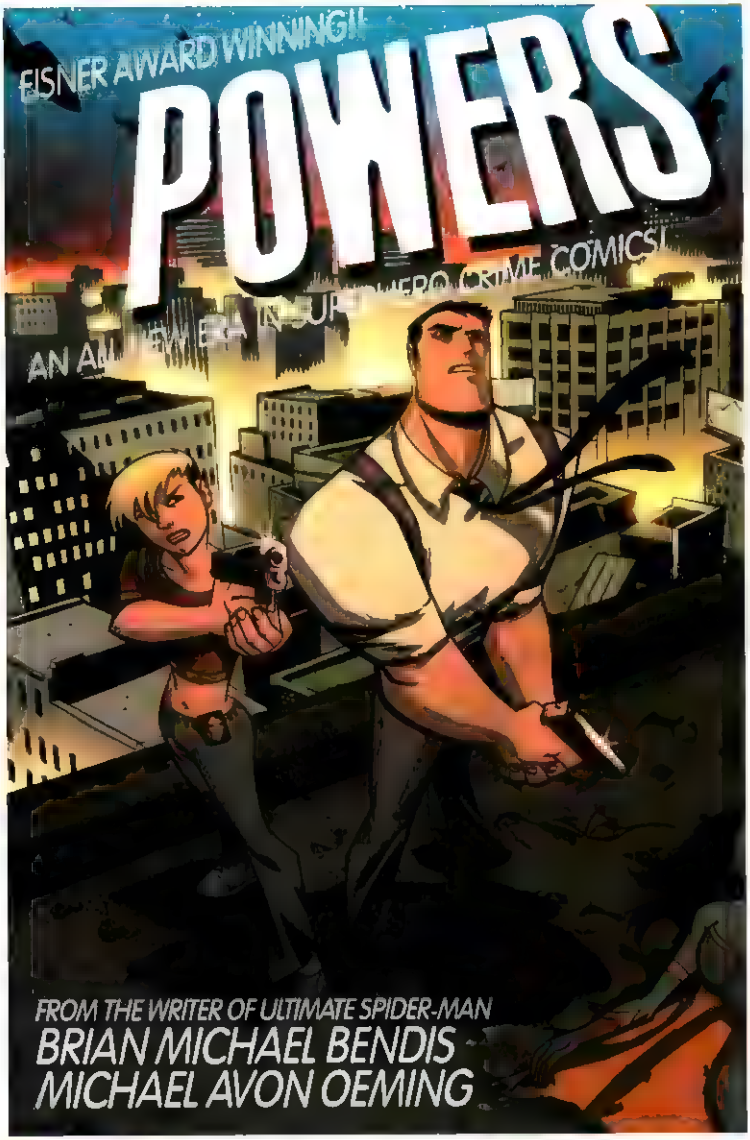

Powers # 1

Written by Brian Michael Bendis
Art by Michael Avon Oeming
Cover by Michael Avon Oeming

All-new first issue!! Homicide Detectives Christian Walker and Deena Pilgrim investigate superpower murders. And with all powers declared illegal, a crime wave has hit the city and hit hard. From the writer of some of your favorite Marvel comics (Ultimate Spider-Man, Daredevil, Secret War), comes a brand-new chapter from the award-winning book that put him on the map.

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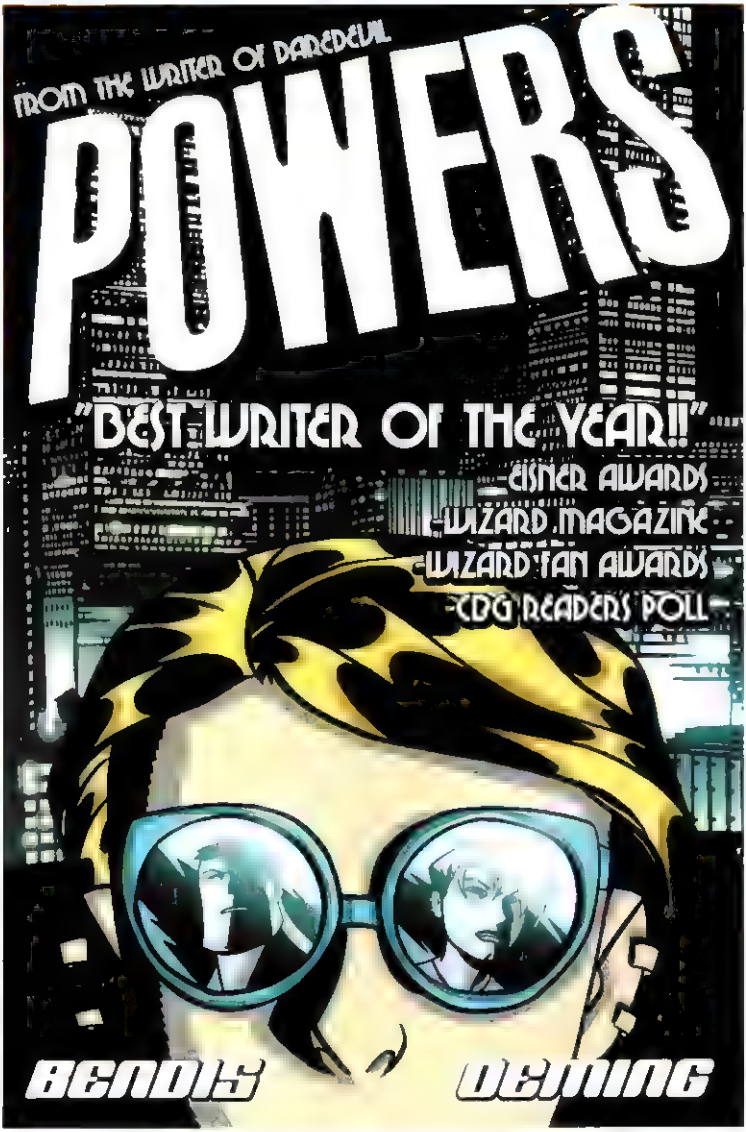

Written by Brian Michael Bendis
Art by Michael Avon Oeming
Cover by Michael Avon Oeming

A hero has returned. But is it enough to keep the city safe from the crossfire – as the city's most powerful villains gun for each other in a massive turf war. And how far will Detective Deena Pilgrim go to prove she still has what it takes?

To celebrate the new Powers debut, it's two big action issues in one month!

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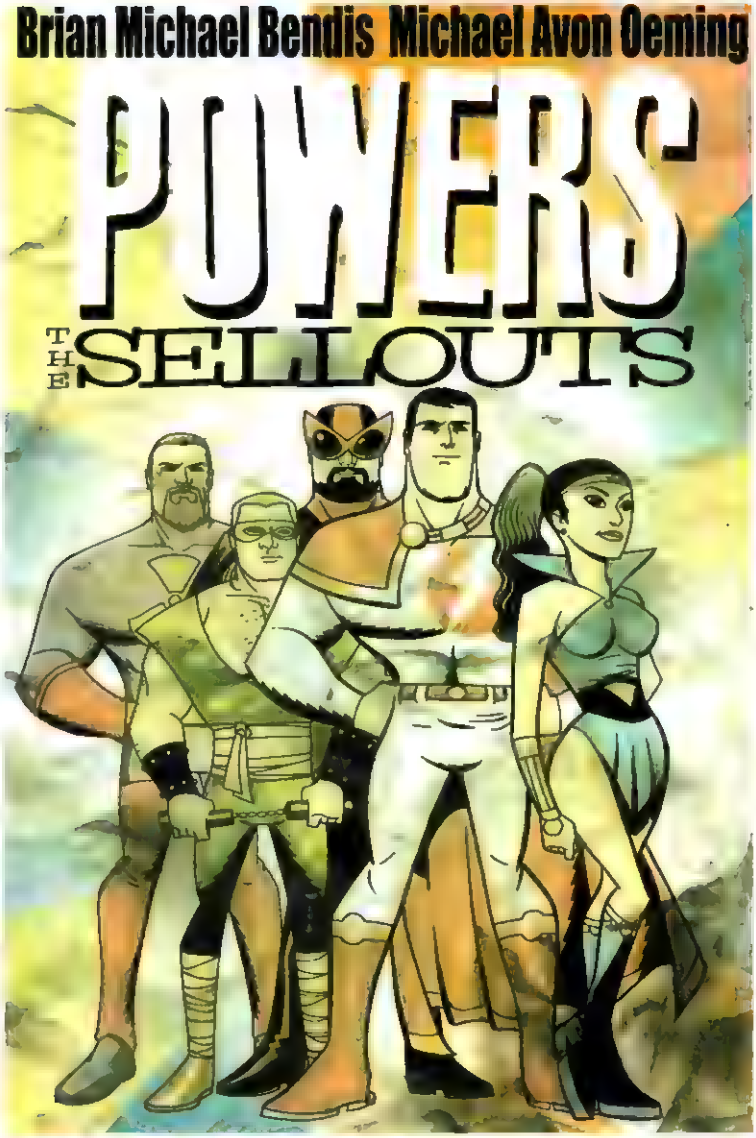

Powers: The Sellouts TPB

Written by Brian Michael Bendis
Art by Michael Avon Oeming
Cover by Michael Avon Oeming

All-new Powers collection!! Homicide Detectives Christian Walker and Deena Pilgrim investigate superpower murders. When one of the members of a classic superteam is murdered, the investigation leads to the most dramatic events in Powers history.
PLUS EXCLUSIVE BONUS FEATURES!! A brand-new "Bendis and Oeming interview each other" piece, a stunning look into Oeming's research and page development, bonus text pieces, on-line interviews, a cover gallery, a making-of-the-scene, and much more.

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Written by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS & MARK MILLAR
Penciled by ADAM KUBERT
Cover by BRYAN HITCH

The World's Greatest Comic Magazine and subject of the upcoming blockbuster motion picture at long last makes its long-awaited debut in the Ultimate Marvel Universe! Witness the beginnings of the Four – Reed Richards, Johnny Storm, Susan Storm and Ben Grimm – super-hero icons for the new century! When high-school genius Reed Richards enrolls at a secret government-sponsored school for the most gifted minds in the world, he unwittingly starts himself and his friends on the journey of a lifetime! A story about science, adventure and above all else family, set in the most dynamic and unpredictable universe in the comic-book world! Collects ULTIMATE FANTASTIC FOUR #1-6.

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THE AVENGERS BY KURT BUSIEK & GEORGE PÉREZ!

AVENGERS ASSEMBLE HC

Written by KURT BUSIEK
Illustrated by GEORGE PÉREZ with CARLOS PACHECO
Cover by GEORGE PÉREZ

The Avengers embark on one of their strongest eras ever! Kurt Busiek and George Pérez have renovated the comic-book field with such works as Astro City and New Teen Titans, respectively, now, see their take on Earth's Mightiest Heroes. Fresh from the Heroes Reborn fiasco, the Avengers find themselves thrown into yet another alternate reality, under the power of Morgan Le Fay! Meanwhile, on the home front, the Squadron Supreme challenges their very identities! Collects AVENGERS #1-11 and ANNUAL '98.

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ESSENTIAL AVENGERS VOL. 4 TPB

Written by ROY THOMAS
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Witness the triumphant travels of Earth's Mightiest Heroes through time, space and other dimensions – fighting the armies of two galaxies, and the heroes of other worlds and yesteryear, with stopovers in criminal territory from New York to the Southwest! Villains from street-level to cosmic! Kang and the Grandmaster! The Zodiac and the Sons of the Serpent! Arkon! The Grim Reaper and his Lethal Legion! The origin of the Black Panther! The Hulk shrunk into an atom! And, believe it or not, more! The Kree-Skrull War Saga in its entirety! Also featuring the Invaders, the Squadron Supreme, the Red Wolf and Captain Mar-Vell! Cross-earth, wartime and western adventure! If this volume doesn't have it, it isn't there to be had! Collects AVENGERS #69-97 and INCREDIBLE HULK #140

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AVENGERS: LIVING LEGENDS TPB

Written by KURT BUSIEK
Pencils by GEORGE PÉREZ with STUART IMMONEN
Cover by GEORGE PÉREZ

The long-awaited final collection of AVENGERS issues by the legendary team of writer Kurt Busiek and artist George Pérez finds Earth's Mightiest Heroes on the outs! They've shared the same brain patterns – and loved the same woman. Now, Wonder Man and the Vision go head-to-head! Can the Scarlet Witch possibly pick a side? Next, the Avengers encounter the Juggernaut – but as foe.. or friend?! And Cap leads the all-new team of Silverclaw, Warbird, Captain Marvel and Ant-Man into all-out action! Finally, the Avengers battle ancient sorcerer Kulan Gath amid a nation lost in time! Can they avert his attempt to turn back the clock on humanity? Collects AVENGERS #23-30.

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FANTASTIC FOUR VOL. 4: HEREAFTER TPB

Written by MARK WAID

Pencils & Cover by MIKE WIERINGO

Having embarked on the ultimate journey, Reed, Sue and Johnny must contend with the defenses of the afterlife – and storm the gates of Heaven itself to rescue their fallen teammate. They've faced the destroyer of everything, Galactus. Now, they face the creator of everything, as the Fantastic Four are reunited in the Hereafter. Plus: The FF have a lot to answer for in the aftermath of their authoritative action in Latveria – and when you're trying to regain the trust of cynical New Yorkers, is associating with a certain misunderstood wall-crawler really a wise move? Collects FANTASTIC FOUR #509-513.

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CAPTAIN AMERICA & THE FALCON: MADBOMB TPB

Written, Pencils & Cover by JACK KIRBY

King Kirby was back – and greater than ever! The year was 1975. The great American Bicentennial was fast approaching – but would it be a time for joy, or the moment of this country's greatest danger? In this timeless tale, never before reprinted, Captain America and the Falcon embark on a vast, desperate search for the most malignant conspirators in our history – and their insidious creation: the Madbomb! On the 200th anniversary of the United States, America will die – and only Cap and the Falcon can save it! Plus: Captain America stands alone against an army of underground killers! It's cataclysmic Kirby action in the mind-boggling Marvel manner! Collects CAPTAIN AMERICA #193-200

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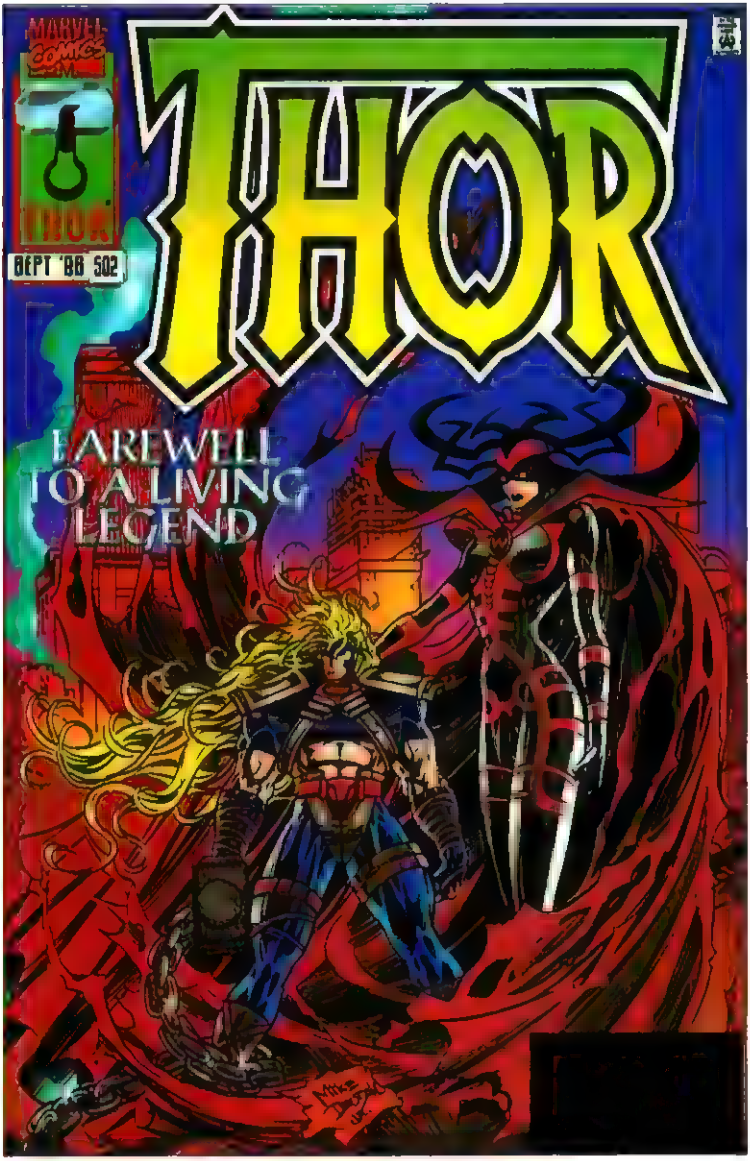

THOR VISIONARIES: MIKE DEODATO JR. TPB

Written by WARREN ELLIS & WILLIAM MESSNER-LOEBS

Pencils & Cover by MIKE DEODATO JR.

Today, he's best known for his hauntingly powerful interpretation of a certain raging green monster – but he first found fame in the '90s by redefining and reinvigorating a Norse thunder god. To mark his move to AMAZING SPIDER-MAN, Marvel collects the highlights of Mike Deodato Jr.'s epic run on THOR. Along with writers Warren Ellis and William Messner-Loebs, Deodato took the Thunder God to new heights, closing out the series' original run in a manner befitting the mighty Thor himself. Collects THOR #481-494 and #498-500.

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DAREDEVIL VOL. 9: KING OF HELL'S KITCHEN TPB

Written by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS

Pencils & Cover by ALEX MALEEV

It's been a year since Daredevil did the unthinkable, beating Wilson Fisk to within an inch of his life and declaring himself the new Kingpin. Now, the Yakuza have come to stake their claim for Hell's Kitchen, targeting Matt Murdock. Their unforgettable battle royale is just the tip of the iceberg, and Daredevil will never be the same again. Featuring guest-appearances by Spider-Man, Luke Cage, Iron Fist, Reed Richards and Dr. Strange! Collects DAREDEVIL #56-60.

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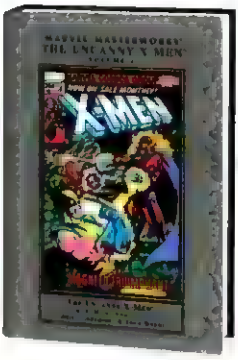

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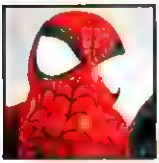

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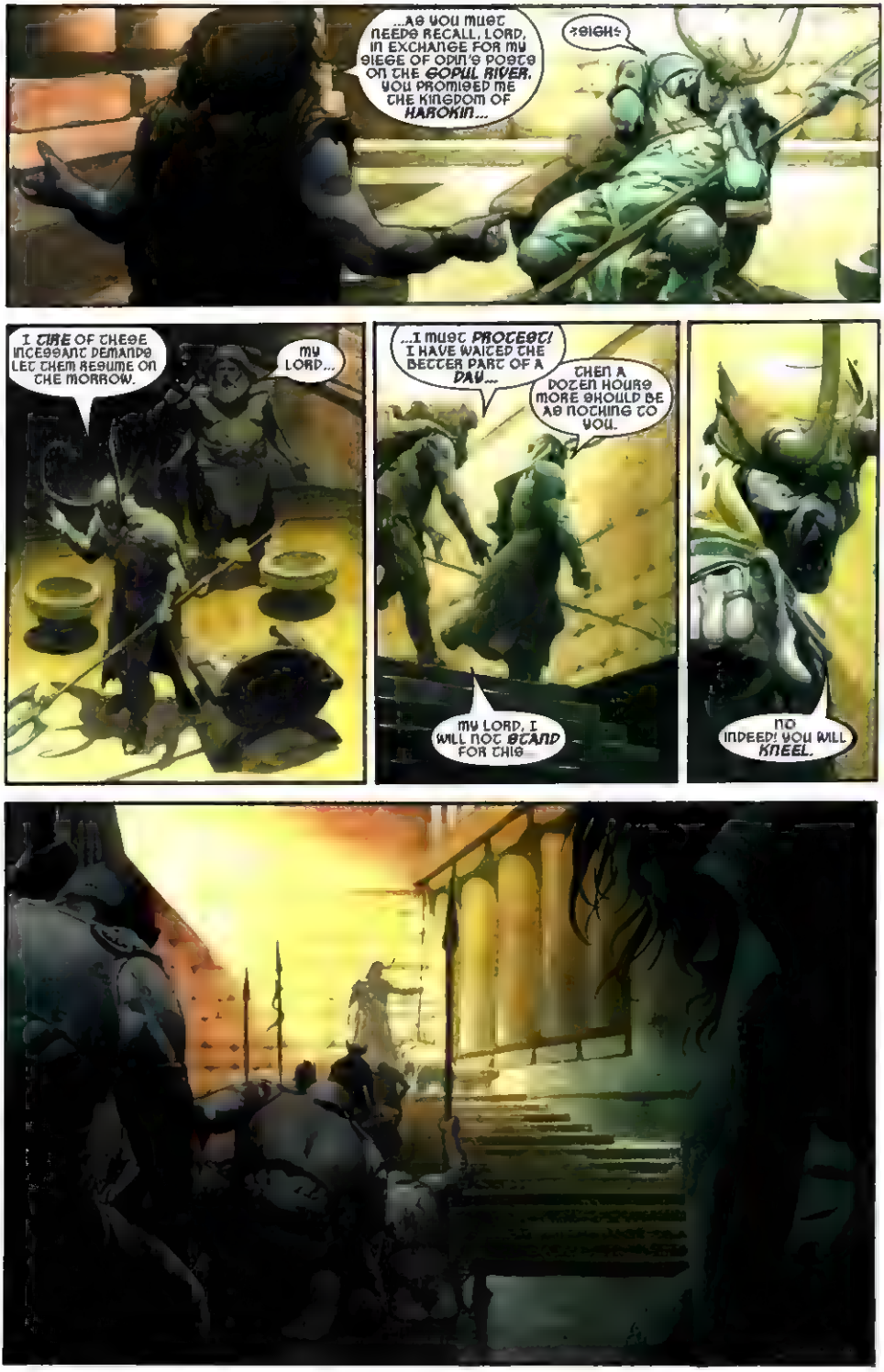
ENOUGH. THE SOVEREIGN OF ASGARD HAS GREATER TASKS TO ATTEND THAN THE SUBJUGATION OF ONE ALREADY BROUGHT SO LOW
TAKE HIM TO THE DUNGEONS, AND LET ASGARD'S NEW AGE BEGIN FORTHWITH
WHAT, THEN? ALL EYES AVERTED?
DOES NONE DARE STEAL A GLANCE AT LOKI'S DIVINE MAJESTY?
BUT, COME... IT WAS NOT SO LONG HENCE, WHEN ALL HERE FREELY LOOKED UPON US WITH DISDAIN AND DERISION.
SURELY THERE REMAINS IN ASGARD ONE BOLD ENOUGH TO MAKE NO PRETENSE OF SUDDEN FEALTY.

WHO DARES?
FORGIVE HIM, MY LORD-- HE IS BUT A CHILD...
"BUT A CHILD," YOU SAY? AND, AS SUCH, DESERVING OF LOKI'S MERCY?
BUT WHO DID EVER SPEAK OF LOKI AND MERCY IN ONE BREATH, WOMAN? YOU STAKE YOUR HOPES ON WHAT YOUR LORD POSSESSES NOT.
YOU ARE NOT MY LORD. YOU CAN NEVER BE MY LORD. AND I WILL NEVER SAY SO. DO WHAT YOU WILL TO ME
YOU ARE NOT MY FACHER!
I AM NOT LOKI ODINSON!
YOU ARE MY FACHER'S MURDERER AND I AM YOUR PRISONER. AND I WILL NOT DO YOUR WILL THOUGH YOU CALL DOWN ALL THE HOST OF ASGARD UPON ME.

LITTLE ONE, YOU MUST NOT DESPISE YOUR NEW LORD BECAUSE OF WHAT OTHERS SAY OF HIM UNDER THEIR BREATH. CONSIDER THAT I WAS ONCE LIKE YOU -- YOUNG, ANGRY, ALONE.
...YET BEHOLD WHAT I HAVE ACHIEVED. BE THUS INSPIRED TO DREAM OF WHAT YOU, WITH YOUR SPIRIT, MIGHT ONE DAY ACCOMP--
PTOO
AS YOU WILL WALLOW IN THE COMMON HERD, THEN
ATTEND ME.

FOR THE FIRST TIME, I ENTER THIS PALACE AS ITS MASTER.
CAN YOU IMAGINE THE EXQUISITE SATISFACTION--THE SURE, SWEET KNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE GAINED WHAT SO LONG I SOUGHT?
NO. NONE OF YOU, I ASSURE YOU, CAN KNOW IN THE SMALLEST DEGREE WHAT I FEEL
BEHOLD HIM WHO WOULD BE LORD OF ALL! ARE YOU NOT AWESTRUCK BY HIS GRANDEUR, SIF?
INDEED, BELOVED, I TREMBLE...
MOCK ME WHILE YOU CAN, BROTHER. MY DAY WILL COME
AHEM?
EH?

MY LORD
I...I WILL TURN MY MIND TO IT
MY LORD, I BEG YOU ATTEND THE REALM'S SECURITY. WITH HEIMDALL IN CHAINS, THERE IS NONE TO SAFEGUARD THE RAINBOW BRIDGE.
WHO NOW?
YOUR OWN LORELEI, MY LORD. SURELY YOU HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN ME...NOR THE PROMISES YOU MADE WHEN YOU ENLISTED MY AID IN YOUR QUEST FOR THAT WHICH EVEN NOW BEARS YOUR WEIGHT.
I HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN YOU AND IT IS TRUE, I OWE YOU THANKS AND MORE THAN THANKS.
THUS YOU COME IN ALL HASTE TO CLAIM YOUR REWARD, EH?
AYE, MY LORD. NOR AM I ALONE...


...AS YOU MUST NEEDS RECALL, LORD, IN EXCHANGE FOR MY SIEGE OF ODIN'S POSTS ON THE GOPUL RIVER, YOU PROMISED ME THE KINGDOM OF HAROKIN...
SIGHS
I TIRE OF THESE INCESSANT DEMANDS! LET THEM RESUME ON THE MORROW.
MY LORD...
...I MUST PROTEST! I HAVE WAITED THE BETTER PART OF A DAY...
THEN A DOZEN HOURS MORE SHOULD BE AS NOTHING TO YOU.
MY LORD, I WILL NOT STAND FOR THIS...
NO INDEED! YOU WILL KNEEL.

...PEACE AT LAST!
M-MY LORD
BY SURTUR'S BREATH--EVEN HERE! WHO DARES TRESPASS LOKI'S PRIVATE CHAMBERS?
MY NAME IS DAIA, MY LORD A CONCUBINE BY TRADE.
I SENT FOR NONE SUCH AS YOU.
I AM A GIFT OF THE NORN QUEEN, MY LORD, IN CONGRATULATION OF YOUR VICTORY.
FROM KARNILLA EH? I NEED NOT GUESS WHAT SHE DESIRES IN RECURN
WHAT MAY I DO TO PLEASE YOU, MY LORD?
RUN THIS TIRESOME KINGDOM FOR ME
MY LORD?
GO, WOMAN LEAVE ME TO MY THOUGHTS
AND LET NONE WHO VALUES HIS LIFE DARE DISTURB MY SOLITUDE
WHAT OF ONE WHO VALUES NOT LIFE BUT DEATH, LORD OF ASGARD...

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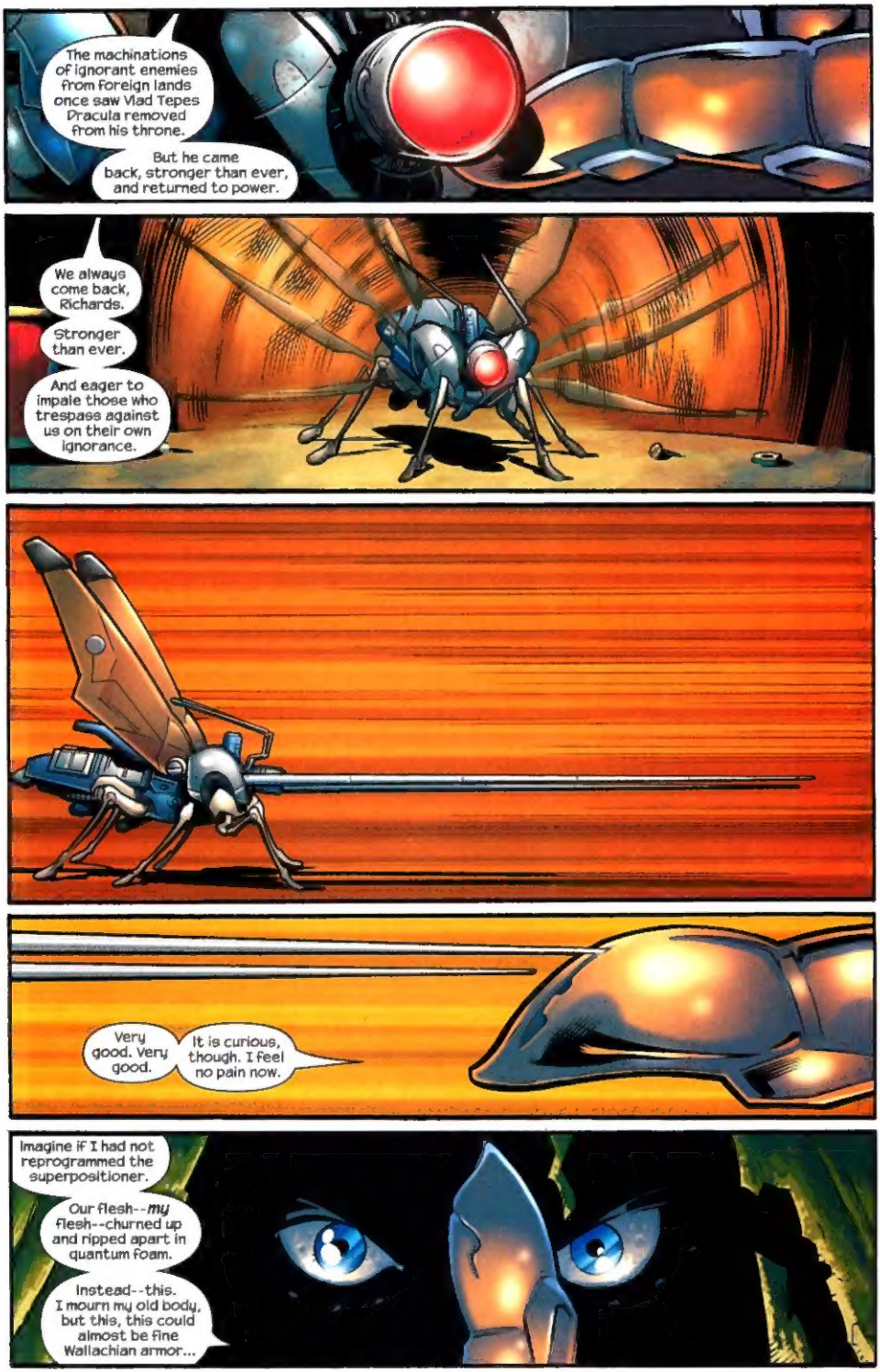
COVER TO ULTIMATE FANTASTIC FOUR #7

Baxter Building, New York City...
Reed?
How long have you been up here?
I didn't get the numbers wrong, Dr. Storm.
I've been over it and over it.
The N-Zone translation should have been perfect.
Reed, I thought we talked about this. Come inside.
But he insisted the schematic was flawed. And I thought we'd settled it.
I was right. I know I was right.
But he... he would just walk in and change things. Without saying anything. He did it the first time we met.
It was the superpositioning system that blew out. It was in perfect balance. I tested it. I knew phase-space theory and he didn't.
He thought it was flawed because he didn't understand it and he'd never admit it to me or himself.

He couldn't rebuild it, so he reprogrammed it. And the superpositioner didn't understand what it was being told.
That was the accident, right there.
We were changed into these... people. And thrown across the world.
It's been two months now.
Where is he, Dr. Storm?
Where is Victor Van Damme?

Vlad Tepes Dracula married Cneajna of Transylvania, begetting Mihnea.
Mihnea married Smaranda and then Voica, who begat Milos, Ruxandra and Mircea.
Nnnnnno!
Damn these hands.
Richards. Richards Richards Richards.
I was perfect. I have always been perfect.

You were never perfect. Scrawny little effort of a man.
I can recite my family tree through six hundred years and I can recite the correct superpositioning code.
Even now. Even now.
You never understood that science is an art, not a system.
Modern science comes from Descartes, who said that the conquest of nature is achieved through measurement and number.
Do you know how he came to that realization?
He had a psychedelic experience with mushrooms in which an angel told him this was so.
Your precious reason is all based on a hallucination.
And you pit your invented "phase-space theory" against my infallible instinctual knowledge of that which is right?
Your system was so utterly wrong that not even I could fix it.
There. You see?


The machinations of ignorant enemies from foreign lands once saw Vlad Tepes Dracula removed from his throne.
But he came back, stronger than ever, and returned to power.
We always come back, Richards.
Stronger than ever.
And eager to impale those who trespass against us on their own ignorance.
Very good. Very good.
It is curious, though. I feel no pain now.
Imagine if I had not reprogrammed the superpositioner.
Our flesh--*my* flesh--churned up and ripped apart in quantum foam.
Instead--this. I mourn my old body, but this, this could almost be fine Wallachian armor...

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